

Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the Rural
District of Stratton for the year ending
31st December 1942.



SECTION A.

Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area.

Area	56,285 acres
Estimated population	5,080
Inhabited Houses	1,445
Rateable Value	£12,889
Penny rate produces	£59.

Physical and General Character. Agricultural.

Vital Statistics.

Total number of Deaths	50.	Males	25.	Females	25.
		Rate per 1,000			9.8
Total number of Births	59.	Males	29.	Females	30.
		Rate per 1,000			11.6
Natural Increase	9				
Deaths from puerperal causes,	Nil				
Deaths from Cancer,	7				
Deaths from Measles, Whooping Cough and Diphtheria,	Nil				
Deaths due to Enemy Action,	Nil.				

SECTION B.

General Provision of Health Services for the Area.

1. (1) One part time Medical Officer of Health
One whole time Sanitary Inspector.
- (2) a. Laboratory Facilities. None in the District.
- b. Ambulance Facilities. Ambulance provided and maintained by the Urban and Rural District Councils jointly. Adequately provides for the needs of the district.
- c. Nursing in the Home. Provided by the Local Nursing Association.

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(2) d. Treatment Centres and Clinics. Situated at Bude and Launceston.

e. Hospitals. Cottage Hospital situated at Stratton contains 18 Beds. Isolation Hospital containing 14 beds is maintained jointly by the Urban and Rural District Councils.

2. Maternity and Child Welfare.

- (1) Midwives resident in the District.
Child Welfare Clinic held at Bude.
- (2) Institutional Provision for Mothers and Children.
At Launceston.
- (3) Health Visitors. Nil
- (4) Child Life Protection. Nil
- (5) Dental, Orthopaedic, etc. Cases. Schools inspected by Doctors. Orthopaedic cases attend Clinic at Launceston.

3. Nursing Homes. None in the District.

SECTION C.

Sanitary Circumstances of the Area.

1. (1) Water. The village of Marhamchurch, and Widemouth in the Parish of Poundstock, are supplied by the Bude-Stratton Urban District Main Water supply, and the remaining villages by pumps and wells.

There has been no serious shortage of water in the District during the past year.

(2) Drainage and Sewerage. The larger villages are partially sewered and the isolated houses are drained into septic tanks and Cesspits.

Owing to the War and shortage of Labour the Sewerage Scheme for Widemouth has not been proceeded with.

During the year an unsatisfactory stone drain about 190 yards in length used as a sewer at Pinch Hill, Marhamchurch has been replaced by a properly constructed 6" Sewer, and about 106 yards of 9" Sewer have been laid down at Underhill, Kilkhampston.

2. Rivers and Streams. No serious cases of pollution have occurred.

3. (1) Closet Accommodation. Generally the closets in the area are on the conservancy system in the outlying Districts. In the villages most of the closets are connected with the Drainage systems.

(2) Public Cleansing. Refuse Collection at Widemouth Bay in the Parish of Poundstock and Crackington Haven in the Parish of St. Gennys is undertaken by the Council.
Refuse Dumps are provided in most of the remaining Parishes.

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3. (3) Shops and Offices. The shops in the district are very small and no action has been necessary.

(4) Camping Sites. None used this year.

Number of sites in respect of which licences have been issued under Section 269 of the Public Health Act 1936 5

(5) Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

Total number of inspections made for all purposes.....	636
New Private water supplies provided	Nil
No. of samples of water analysed.....	5
Satisfactory 3. Unsatisfactory 2.	
Existing water supplies improved.....	5
Pail or Privy Closets converted to Water closets.....	1
New drains laid to existing premises.....	6
Existing drains repaired.....	6
Complaints received.....	19
Nuisances abated.....	13
Cowsheds and Dairies inspected.....	193
No. of inspections of Bakehouses.....	6
Premises fumigated.....	7
No. of inspections of Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Works.....	113

Housing Statistics :-

Number of New Houses.....	Nil
By the Local Authority.....	Nil
By other persons.....	Nil

(6) Smoke Abatement. No action necessary.

(7) Swimming Baths and Pools. None.

(8) Eradication of Bed Bugs. No action required.

4. Schools. In view of the greatly increased number of Scholars due to the Evacuation Scheme many buildings have to be used as Temporary Schools and have proved to be satisfactory. Many scholars have now returned home.

SECTION D.

1. Inspection of Dwelling Houses during the year :-

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	45
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	120

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(2)	(a)	Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-head (1) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925	30
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose.....	30
(3)		Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.....	Nil
(4)		Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	22
2.		<u>Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notice.</u>	
		Number of dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers.....	20
3.		<u>Action under Statutory Powers during the year.</u>	
	(a.)	Proceedings under Sections 9,10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936.	
	(1)	Number of Houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	Nil
	(2)	Number of Houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notice.	
		(a) by Owners.....	Nil
		(b) by Local Authority in default of owners.....	Nil
	(b)	Proceedings under Public Health Acts.	
	(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	Nil
	(2)	Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :-	
		(a) by Owners	Nil
		(b) by Local Authority in default of owners	Nil
	(c)	Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936.	
	(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which demolition orders were made.....	Nil
	(2)	Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders.....	Nil

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3. (d) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936.
- (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing Orders were made..... Nil
- (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit Nil
4. Housing Acts, 1936 - Part IV - Overcrowding :
- (a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year 4
- (ii) Number of families dwelling therein 4
- (iii) Number of persons dwelling therein 19
- (b) Number of new cases reported during the year 1
- (c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year Nil
- (ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases Nil
- (d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding Nil
- (e) Any other particulars in respect of overcrowding conditions upon which the Medical Officer of Health may consider it desirable to report Nil

SECTION E.

Inspection and Supervision of Food.

- (a) Milk Supply. Very much improved in quality and cleanness. Cowsheds are regularly inspected.
- (b) Meat and other Foods. No Slaughter Houses in the D istrict.
Butchers' Shops inspected.
Bakehouses well kept and clean.
- (c) Adulteration, etc. No action required.
- (d) Chemical and Bacteriological Examination of Food.
No action required.
- (e) Nutrition. No action taken
- (f) Shell-fish. No beds in the D istrict.

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Evacuation. The Sanitary Inspector is acting as Chief Billeting Officer. Many Evacuees have returned.

The billeting has been successful and the children have much improved in health.

SECTION F.

Prevalence of, and Control over, Infectious and other Diseases.

An Isolation Hospital is provided which meets the requirements of the District.

Three Hostels are provided for Scabies, Impetigo and Enuresis.

The following cases of Infectious Diseases have been reported during the year :-

Scarlet Fever	5 Females.
	3 Males (from Cleave Camp)
Opthalmia neonatorum	1
Encephalitis Lethargica	1.

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